

**ATTACHMENT 6**

Check One: ☐ initial request ☐ first reauthorization  
☐ second authorization ☐ subsequent reauthorization

MAIL TO:

EDS  
Prior Authorization Unit  
Suite 88  
6406 Bridge Road  
Madison, WI 53784-0088

PA/CADTA

1. Complete this form.
2. Attach PA/RF.
3. Attach all requested information.
4. Attach prescription.
5. Mail to EDS

**PRIOR AUTHORIZATION  
CHILD/ADOLESCENT DAY TREATMENT**

Providers should carefully read the attached instructions before completing this form.

**SECTION I.**

**RECIPIENT INFORMATION**

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Patient	Is	A	1234567890	16
Last Name	First Name	MI	Medical Assistance Identification #	Age

**PROVIDER INFORMATION**

(6) Day Treatment Provider Name	(7) Medical Assistance Provider #	(8) Name and Phone Number of Contact Person
DAY TREATMENT PROVIDER	87654321	I. M. DIRECTOR (xxx) xxx-xxxx

- (9) Requested start date and end date for this authorization period (if start date is prior to when request will be received at EDS, please indicate clinical rationale).

2/17/92 - 4/24/92

Please backdate. Is was started in program on 2/17 to coincide with her release from inpatient. Multi-agency meeting held on 2/19.

- (10) Number of hours of treatment to be provided over prior authorization grant period. Indicate pattern of treatment, e.g., three hours/day, three days per week for eight weeks.

3 hours - 5 days/wk for 10 weeks = 150 hours

## SECTION II.

The following additional information must be provided. If you attach copies of existing records to provide the information requested please limit attachments to two pages for the psychiatric evaluation and illness/treatment history. Highlighting relevant information is helpful. Do not attach M-Team summaries, additional social service reports, court reports, or other similar documents unless directed to do so following initial review of the documentation.

- A. Present a summary of the recipient's psychiatric assessment and differential diagnosis. Diagnoses on all five axes of DSM-III-R are required. If not conducted by a psychiatrist, a psychiatrist must review and sign the summary and diagnoses.

(Summarized from admission statement)

Patient is a 16 year old female who is admitted for her second psychiatric hospitalization in less than six months. Her chief complaints are "I have a drug problem...my life's a mess and I don't know how to fix it". Her admission was precipitated when she was involved in an automobile accident in which she was riding with a drunk driver and she herself was drunk. Although there were no serious injuries the accident seemed to scare her into some acknowledgement of her substance abuse. She has a history of self-inflicted injury, primarily by cutting on herself.

### Summary of Past History

She began outpatient therapy in April of 1991 focusing on her depression, irritability, and mood swings. Little seemed to have been accomplished. Her dysfunctioning became more evident at the start of the school year in September 1991 and resulted in her first hospitalization in October. At this time she was diagnosed with bipolar mood disorder and started on Lithium. She remains on Lithium and Prozac was later added to her regimen. There was some improvement noted during the hospitalization and she and her family participated in the day treatment program for six weeks following discharge. Despite some improvement in communication and expression of feelings, Patient did not acknowledge substance abuse problems at that time. Following discharge from day treatment in mid-December the family discontinued treatment except that Patient sporadically attended aftercare group.

Patient reports depression dating back to early 1990 with complaints of hopelessness and worthlessness, appetite and sleep disturbance and loss of interest in usual activities. Her grades declined significantly during the following school year and she reported difficulty concentrating which may have been related to her increasing use of drugs during that time. Although Patient admits to occasional drinking as early as age 12, significant usage did not begin until 1990 (see attached substance abuse assessment).

### Summary of Family History, Development, Medical

Is lives with her mother and father and a 10 year old brother. The family history is significant for the lack of any outstanding psychopathology. Mother reports a normal development. Patient has no known allergies or medical problems.

### Examination Findings

Patient presents as a normally developed female for her age. She did appear very run down and reports that she had been drinking and smoking pot a lot over the past week and not sleeping much. Depression is evident and Patient acknowledges suicidal thinking and planning. (She has considered overdosing on drugs and alcohol.) There was no evidence of hallucinations, delusions, or unusual thinking. Memory is intact. Insight appears limited and is undoubtedly impaired by both her depression and substance abuse.

### Impressions

Despite the significant depression and substance abuse, Patient's prognosis is good if her current acknowledgement of her substance abuse can be supported. The family is intact and supportive and is a good asset if they can maintain treatment after the immediate crisis.

(Continued on attached sheet)

**Axis I:**        **Major Depression, recurrent, severe**  
                 **Alcohol and Cannabis abuse**

**Axis II:**        **Deferred**

**Axis III:**       **None**

**Axis IV:**       **2--arguments with parents, difficulty at school**

**Axis V:**        **GAF at admission--45, highest GAF past year 55** *J.M. Physician*

**Plan**

**Admit for stabilization with suicide precautions. Maintain medication regimen. Individual, group, family therapy. AODA treatment. Plan discharge to day treatment when Patient's suicidal ideation has decreased to the point where she can be trusted not to harm herself and there is stabilization in mood, sleep patterns and eating.**

- B. Present a summary of the recipient's illness/treatment/medication history and other significant background information. Why do you think day treatment will produce positive change?

Patient relates that her depression started in mid-1990. She began superficial cutting later that year and reported that it decreased her anger and pain. She reports sleep disturbance, nightmares, fatigue, and irritability.

She participated in individual and group outpatient counseling in April, 1991. She reportedly had a difficult time expressing feelings or understanding the connection between her feelings and her behavior. She denied any substance abuse problems at that time.

Patient's functioning deteriorated significantly at the start of the next school year. She was engaged in significant conflict with her parents over rules at home and was missing school frequently. She was expressing a wish to die and refused to sign a No Self Harm contract with her outpatient therapist. She was admitted to inpatient care on October 10, 1991. She was diagnosed with Bipolar Mood Disorder and started on Lithium 300 mg t.i.d. An AODA evaluation (see attached) yielded additional diagnoses of alcohol and cannabis abuse.

At discharge, Patient was admitted to day treatment to provide intensive therapy and support during the transition back to school and home. She attended for six weeks and began to express feelings more appropriately and discuss alternative and safe methods of releasing her emotions. Prozac was added because of continued mood swings and depression. The family participated in treatment and there seemed to be some improvement in communication. However, she continued in denial with regard to substance abuse.

Following discharge from day treatment the family discontinued involvement in therapy. She attended aftercare group sporadically. Despite earlier improvement she quickly regressed into complaints about limits at home and school. Parents reported that she began staying out late at night. She was involved in an automobile accident (she was not the driver) that involved alcohol and Patient was intoxicated at the time. Though she was not charged her parents brought her back to the hospital for intervention. She acknowledged that she felt out of control and was admitted back to inpatient care on February 1, 1992. After two weeks inpatient, during which time her condition was stabilized, she was discharged again to day treatment. Both Patient and the family felt that day treatment was important during the transition back to home and school.

Patient's potential for change seems good now that she has acknowledged her substance abuse. The family also seems to understand the need to continue treatment following Patient's discharge from day treatment.

C. Complete the checklist for determination that an individual meets the criteria for severe emotional disturbance (SED). Criteria for meeting the functional symptoms and impairments are found in the instructions. SED in an individual under the age of 21 requires acute treatment and may lead to institutional care. The disability must be evidenced by 1, 2, 3 and 4 listed below.

1. The individual must meet all three of the following:

- ☒ a. be under the age of 21, and
- ☒ b. have an emotional disability that has persisted for at least 6 months; and
- ☒ c. that same disability must be expected to persist for a year or longer.

2. A condition of severe emotional disturbance as defined by a mental or emotional disturbance listed in the American Psychiatric Association Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, III, Revised (DSM III-R).

☒ 296.33 Major Depression; 305.00 Alcohol Abuse; 305.20 Cannabis Abuse  
Primary Diagnosis

3. Functional Symptoms and Impairments

The individual must have A. or B.

a. Symptoms (must have one)

- ☐ 1. Psychotic symptoms
- ☐ 2. Suicidality
- ☐ 3. Violence

b. Functional impairments (must have two)

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Functioning in self care            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Functioning in the family  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Functioning in the community        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. Functioning at school/work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Functioning in social relationships |   |

4. The individual is receiving services from two or more of the following service systems.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Health  | <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Justice             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Services           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Special Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Protective Services |   |

Eligibility Criteria Waived Under Certain Circumstances:

- ☐ This individual would otherwise meet the definition of SED, but has not yet received services from more than one system, but would be likely to do so were the intensity of treatment requested not provided. Attach explanation.
- ☐ This individual would otherwise meet the definition of SED except that functional impairment has not persisted for six months, but the nature of the acute episode is such that impairment in functioning is likely to be evident without the intensity of treatment requested. Attach explanation.

- D. Describe the treatment program which will be provided. Attach a day treatment program schedule. Summarize the proposed intervention in this section. The treatment plan should specify how program components relate to this specific client's treatment goals.

Patient is to attend day treatment four hours a day, five days per week. Part of this time will not be billed to MA because it is used for educationally related work and recreation. We will use groups led by a psychiatric nurse to work with Is on the identification and expression of feelings (see treatment plan) and groups led by an AODA counselor to improve her understanding of her substance abuse. The family will attend the multiple-family group one time per week and will meet with staff individually once per week to focus on family understanding of both the emotional issues and the substance abuse. These family meetings will be led by our psychologist. A program schedule is attached.

- E. Indicate the rationale for day treatment. Elaborate on this choice where prior outpatient (clinic) treatment is absent or limited. Why does the recipient need this level of intervention at this time?

Patient's quick return to the hospital after her first admission demonstrated the necessity for a more intense aftercare plan. Both Patient and her family understand the need to continue outpatient treatment. Her continued mood swings and rather tentative abstinence argue for a fairly intensive level of treatment for the first two months following discharge. Her history also suggests that she would benefit from a high degree of structure. The plan will be to reduce intervention to weekly group therapy for Patient, weekly to biweekly family therapy and AA, NA, and Al Anon meetings.

- F. Indicate the expected date for termination of day treatment. Describe anticipated service needs following completion of day treatment and transition plan.

Day treatment is expected to terminate on 4/24. Plan is to continue family therapy weekly on an outpatient basis. Is will continue with AA/NA groups. She will also have medication management, as needed.

**SECTION III.**

Please attach and label the following:

A. The prior authorization request form (PA/RF).

B. One of the following (check which is attached):

- ☐ A copy of the signed and dated HealthCheck referral for day treatment from a physician; or
- ☒ A copy of the signed and dated HealthCheck referral for day treatment from a provider other than a physician, and a physician's prescription for day treatment, or
- ☐ A copy of the signed and dated HealthCheck referral for a psychiatric evaluation/diagnosis if there has not been a differential diagnosis within the past 12 months and a physician's prescription for day treatment, or,
- ☐ If there has been a differential diagnosis within the past twelve months, a physician's prescription for day treatment and a copy of the signed and dated HealthCheck referral.

*A copy of the HealthCheck referral must be attached to all requests. For reauthorizations, a copy of the original HealthCheck referral must be attached. The initial request for these services must be received by EDS within six months of when the HealthCheck referral was dated.*

C. A multi-agency treatment plan.

D. A day treatment services treatment plan.

E. Results of either the Achenbach Child Behavior Checklist or the Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale (CAFAS).

F. An AODA assessment may be included. An AODA assessment must be included if AODA related programming is part of the recipient's treatment program.

Patient reports initial alcohol use around age 12 consisting of drinking at parties when alcohol was available--about one time per month. Marijuana use began about one year later and was also sporadic initially. Prior to her admission to the hospital she reports use of alcohol and/or drugs three to four times per week. Alcohol use is generally limited to beer, about six cans when she is drinking, but she reports occasional use of whiskey. She reports that she loves to smoke pot and would smoke it daily if she could, but her use is limited to how often she can get it. Use of other drugs appears to be fairly limited. She reports trying speed once and using some inhalant, but she reports that she did not like these drugs. She says she uses drugs and alcohol as a way to socialize and feel happy.

She reports blackouts and becoming physically sick on occasion. She reports drinking when she skips school and coming to school drunk or high on a number of occasions. She reports poorer grades and decreased recreational activities (she used to be involved in piano lessons and creative dance, but has dropped these activities) although the relationship between these changes and her substance abuse is not clear. Her activities with friends have become limited to those involving drugs or alcohol and she reports that she is spending more time with people who are heavy users. She seems to see that she often feels worse after use of drugs or alcohol, both physically and emotionally, but minimizes the fact that this does not prevent her from changing her use. She says that she can make choices about avoiding use, but her ability to make consistent healthy choices does not appear to be supported by her drug use history. She reports that she has abstained from use of either drugs or alcohol for periods of up to two weeks.

Patient describes her parents as social drinkers. She identifies an aunt as having been in AODA treatment. She reports that her relationship with her parents has been conflictual over issues of rules at home, when she has to be in, etc. She says she gets along OK with her brother.

A diagnosis of alcohol and cannabis abuse is supported by Is's history of alcohol and marijuana use, her use during school, the decline in school attendance and performance, the decreased recreational activities other than substance use, the presence of blackouts on occasion, and her expressed interest in using marijuana daily if it were available.

*I attest to the accuracy of the information on this prior authorization request.*

J. M. Director  
Signature of Day Treatment Program Director

2/21/92  
Date

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APPENDIX 32

WMAF HEALTHCHECK/EPSDT REFERRAL FORM

DATE OF SCREENING: 2/14/92

RECIPIENT NAME: Is Patient MA-ID # 1234567890

DATE OF REFERRAL APPOINTMENT: 2/14/92

REASON FOR REFERRAL: Mental Health and General Health Concerns

REFERRED TO: Day Treatment

\_\_\_\_\_  
Provider Name, Address, and/or Specialty

COMMENTS: Just hospitalized for depression/substance abuse. Appears to require follow-up. No other significant findings.

SIGNATURE: J. M. Screener DATE: 2/14/92  
Screening Provider

NOTE: This form is acceptable in lieu of the WMAF HealthCheck (EPSDT) Services claim form when it is used as a referral form.



Prescription for Day Treatment

I have examined the following individual and their medical record:

Is Patient  
name

609 Willow, Anytown  
address

1234567890  
medical assistance identification number

I find Is Patient to be appropriate for day treatment for severe emotional disturbance. Services are expected to be required for up to 6 months.

J M. Provider, Psychiatrist

22 N. Maple, Anytown  
Address

12345678  
UPIN/Medical Assistance Provider Number

2/17/92  
Date

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October 19, 1992

Department of Health and Social Services  
Division of Community Services  
Office of Mental Health  
March 20, 1992

STATE OF WISCONSIN

MODEL PLAN: INTENSIVE IN-HOME PSYCHOTHERAPY OR DAY TREATMENT

<b>Name of Client: Is Patient</b>	<b>Agency Team Developing and Implementing this Plan (include title indicating discipline):</b>
<b>Client Birthdate: 7/15/75</b>	<b>1. I.M. Primary, RN (program coordinator)</b>
<b>Date of Plan: 2/19/92</b>	<b>2. I.M. Manager, O.T.</b>
<b>Plan review date: 8/92</b>	<b>3. I.M. Doctor, Ph.D.</b>
<b>Case Manager: I.M. Manager, OT</b>	<b>4. I.M. Artsie, A.T.</b>
<b>List family members involved in treatment:</b>	<b>5.</b>
<b>1. Be Patient, Father</b>	<b>6.</b>
<b>2. Was Patient, Mother</b>	<b>7.</b>
<b>3. Not Patient, Brother</b>	<b>8.</b>
<b>4.</b>	
<b>5.</b>	
<b>6.</b>	

<b>Problem 1:</b>	<b>Short Term Goal (measurable):</b>
Alcohol and Drug Abuse	Abstain from alcohol and drugs. Is will attend day treatment groups and 2 AA/NA/Alateen meetings per week. Is will be able to identify the definition of substance abuse and how it applies to her.
<b>Description of Problem:</b>	<b>Long Term Goal (measurable):</b>
Patient is using alcohol and/or drugs	Continued abstinence from alcohol and drugs (per Is's report and parents description of her behaviors). Acknowledgement of her addiction and understanding of the addiction process.
3-4 times per week, has exhibited decreased school attendance and grades, reports blackouts and potentially dangerous situations	Reintroduction of recreational activities which are non-drug and alcohol related.
related to her substance abuse. She reports a desire to quit but does not demonstrate insight into her addiction.	<b>Plan (include frequency of intervention and team member responsible):</b>
	Group and individual sessions 5 X wk. with AODA counselor to learn didactics of substance abuse, understand how they apply to her and address other issues related to substance abuse.
	<b>Measurable Results of Intervention at Time of Plan Review:</b>

<b>Problem 2:</b>	<b>Short Term Goal (measurable);</b>
Depression, mood swings, self-mutilation	Discuss feelings in group 3 X wk. Identify three situations which lead to self destructive behavior and three healthy responses.
<b>Description of the Problem:</b>	<b>Long Term Measurable Goal (measurable):</b>
Is has a difficult time identifying and expressing feelings.	Is will be able to initiate discussions about feelings with parents and therapists. Is will not engage in self destructive behaviors. Is will demonstrate decreased mood swings by self report
She acts on feelings, often in destructive ways such as cutting herself and substance use. She has a difficult time initiating interactions with family and friends and has a hard time accepting criticism.	and parents report.
	<b>Plan (include frequency of intervention and team member(s) responsible):</b>
	Group psychotherapy 5 X wk. with psychiatric nurse/OT; family therapy weekly with Ph.D.; multiple family therapy group weekly with Ph.D. M.D. will monitor psychotropic medications and adjust as needed.
	<b>Measurable Results of Intervention at Time of Plan Review:</b>



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Problem 4:	Short Term Goal:
	Long Term Goal:
	Plan (include frequency of intervention and team member(s) responsible):
Measurable Results of Intervention at Time of Plan Review:	

<b>Problem 5:</b>	<b>Short Term Goal:</b>
	<b>Long Term Goal:</b>
	<b>Plan (include frequency of intervention and team member(s) responsible</b>
	<b>Measurable Results of Intervention at Time of Plan Review:</b>

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<b>Program Discharge Criteria:</b>
Is will be able to identify and express feelings more appropriately. Is will be able to enter into a 'no self harm' contract. Is will have a regular/consistent recovery program. Is and family will show ability to discuss limits and problems and commit themselves to continued outpatient therapy.

S. M. Proctor  
Psychiatrist's Signature

MM/DD/YY  
Date



# DAY TREATMENT PROGRAM

## Daily Schedule

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2:00	Check-In ----->				
2:15	Group Therapy	Group Therapy	Group Therapy	Group Therapy	Group Therapy
3:15			Special Recreation Activity		
3:45	Issues Group			Issues Group	
4:15		O.T. Group	Dinner		Wrap-Up
5:00	Wrap-Up			Family Group	
5:45					
6:00-8:00					

Shaded areas are times not billed to Medical Assistance.

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### MODEL INTERAGENCY TREATMENT PLAN

<b>Name of Client:</b> Is Patient	<b>Interagency Team Developing and Implementing this Plan (include title indicating discipline):</b>
<b>Client Birthdate:</b> 7/15/75	1. I.M. Primary, RN (day treatment) <i>J.M. Prunier</i>
<b>Client M.A. Number:</b> 1234567890	2. I.M. Manager, OT (day treatment) <i>S.M. Manager</i>
<b>Date of This Plan:</b> 2/19/92	3. I.M. Doctor, PhD <i>J.M. Doctor</i>
<b>Plan review date:</b> 8/92	4. I.M. Teacher (City School) <i>J.M. Teacher</i>
<b>Case Manager:</b> I.M. Manager	5. I.M. Psychiatrist, M.D. (psychiatrist) <i>S.M. Psychiatrist</i>
<b>Parent(s) or Primary Caregiver:</b>	6.
<b>Be Patient, Father</b>	7.
<b>Was Patient, Mother</b>	8..
	9.
	10.
	11.
	12.
	<b>Was parent or primary caregiver present? Yes No</b>

**PROBLEM SUMMARY:** In the space provided below, describe the problems of the child and the family. Specify the elements of the problem which are to be treated.

[illegible]

Please summarize in the spaces provided the element(s) and the methodology to be used by each system to treat this child (school, social services, mental health, health or the juvenile justice system), as applicable. For agencies not involved in treatment, put N/A in box.

<b>Mental Health Agency Response:</b>	<b>Short Term Goal (measurable): Is will attend day treatment program and discuss issues in</b>
While Is has made some progress in expression of feelings and acknowledgement of substance abuse, she has not shown the ability to function well outside a highly structured setting. She appears unrealistic yet about the severity of her substance abuse. She needs to develop better communication skills with therapists and family.	group 3 X week. Is will be able to identify three situations which lead to cutting behavior and three healthy responses. Is will be able to identify the definition of substance abuse and relate it to her situation.
	<b>Long Term Goal (measurable): Is will remain abstinent from drugs and alcohol. Is will cease cutting on herself as a response to problems. Is and her family will be able to talk about feelings and problem solve together. Is will become reinvolved in recreational activities.</b>
	<b>Plan (include frequency of intervention and team member responsible):</b>
	Attend day treatment 5 days per week. (RN/OT/AODA counselor)
	Attend 2 AA/NA/or Alateen meetings weekly. (OT will monitor)
	Family therapy and multiple family group weekly. (Ph.D.)
	Medication Management (M.D.)
	<b>Measurable Results of Intervention at Time of Plan Review:</b>

[illegible]

School Agency Response:	Short Term Goal (measurable)
Patient is on a reduced schedule to allow her to attend day treatment and to catch up slowly and not stress her at this time. She is still not attending all classes.	Attend all classes on a daily basis. Seek out staff assistance when she is having problems.
	<b>Long Term Goal (measurable):</b>
	Resume full time schedule and level of achievement prior to when problems began (As and Bs).
	<b>Plan (include frequency of intervention and team member responsible):</b>
	Is will be placed in special homeroom for recovering students. (Teacher)
	Is will attend recovery group at school. (School counselor)
	School will monitor attendance. (Teacher)
	Will have meeting with school psychologist 1 X wk. (School counselor)
	<b>Measurable Results of Intervention at Time of Plan Review:</b>

<b>Juvenile Justice Agency Response:</b>	<b>Short Term Goal (measurable)</b>
	<b>Long Term Goal (measurable):</b>
	<b>Plan (include frequency of intervention and team member responsible):</b>
	<b>Measurable results of Intervention at Time of Plan Review:</b>

[illegible]



SERVICES RECOMMENDED BY TREATMENT TEAM:	
1. Day Treatment Program	5.
2. School Recovery Group	6.
3.	7.
4.	8.

Program Discharge Criteria:
1. Is will be able to maintain 'no self harm' contracts between self and family (to be developed during family therapy).
2. Is will have a regular/consistent recovery program established.
3. Is will demonstrate regular, daily attendance at school.

Psychiatrist's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I (We) have read the foregoing treatment plan and give our consent to my (our) my child receiving the treatment outlined above. I (we) will agree to participate in the treatment intervention outlined above.

Parent(s)' or Primary Caregiver's Signature J.M. Proctor

Date: 10/16/94

file = Service\UATxPlan [E, Green]

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT FUNCTIONAL ASSESSMENT SCALE

Is A. Patient I.M. Primary MMDDYY  
Client's Name Rater Date

The CAFAS is used to assess a youth's functional impairment, rated as severe, moderate, mild or average. If any one item listed under category of impairment describes the youth's functioning, the youth qualifies for a rating in that category. You should indicate all items that apply in that category. Do this by circling the number to the right of the item description. Do not circle any items that apply in lower categories. Rate the youth's most severe level of dysfunction in the last month.

- For each sub-scale begin your assessment by reviewing items in the SEVERE category. If any item describes the youth's functioning, circle all that apply in that category, and write the score "30" in the score box on the left.
- If none of the items in the SEVERE category describe the youth, proceed to the MODERATE category. If none of the items in the MODERATE category describe the youth, proceed to the MILD category, and so on. If the youth is described by any of the items in a category, then that category will apply to the youth. Always start with the SEVERE CATEGORY AND PROGRESSIVELY PROCEED TO THE AVERAGE CATEGORY, STOPPING AT THE CATEGORY IF THE YOUTH IS DESCRIBED BY ANY ONE OF THE ITEMS IN THAT PARTICULAR CATEGORY.
- If you believe that the youth should be rated in a category of impairment where no items are circled, write the score in the score box, circle the number corresponding to the "EXCEPTION" box, and explain the reason for your rating in the space labeled "Explanation."

	Severe Severe disruption or incapacitation (30)	Moderate Occasional major or frequent disruptions (20)	Mild Significant problems and/or distress (10)	Average No disruption of functioning (0)
(1) Role Performance       20	Unable to maintain job, school, or family role because of impairment... 001	Persistent problems at work/school (e.g., frequently in trouble; at risk of expulsion; history of multiple expulsions or suspensions)... 007	Frequent problems at school/work due to lateness/absences/poor performance/failure to hand in work... 012	Reasonably comfortable and competent in relevant roles... 017
	Extensive management by others required in order to be maintained in the home... 002	Persistent failure to meet usual expectations in family relations and/or behavior/responsibilities within home (may be at risk for placement out of home due to impairment)... 008	Frequently fails to meet expectations in family relations and/or in behavior/responsibilities within home... 013	Minor problems satisfactorily resolved... 018
	Expelled or equivalent from school... 003	Currently at risk of confinement because of frequent or serious violations of law, delinquent behavior, running away, probation or parole... 009	Often disregards school rules... 014	
	Unable to meet even minimum requirements for behavior in classroom (either in regular or specialized classroom in public school or equivalent)... 004	Persistent problems in school due to extreme difficulty sustaining attention to tasks... 010	Minor legal violations (no history of confinement)... 015	
	Currently confined for legal violations... 005			
	EXCEPTION 006	EXCEPTION 011	EXCEPTION 016	EXCEPTION 019
Explanation:				

Could Not Score: 020

	Severe Severe disruption or incapacitation (30)	Moderate Occasional major or frequent disruptions (20)	Mild Significant problems and/or distress (10)	Average No disruption of functioning (0)
(2) Thinking	<p>Extreme distortion of coherent thought and language (may include bizarre play, incoherence, loosening of associations, flight of ideas)--- 026</p> <p>Frequent and/or disruptive delusions or hallucinations/can't distinguish fantasy from reality--- 022</p> <p>Pattern of short term memory loss/disorientation to time or place most of the time--- 023</p> <p>Inability to communicate with others and/or marked abnormalities in nonverbal or verbal communication (e.g., echolalia, idiosyncratic language)--- 024</p>	<p>Frequent distortion of thinking (obsessions, mistrust, suspicions) 026</p> <p>Intermittent hallucinations that interfere with normal functioning--- 027</p> <p>Frequent confusion or evidence of short term memory loss--- 028</p> <p>Unable to comprehend consequences of behavior--- 029</p> <p>Evidence of persistent and excessive fantasy (e.g., daydreams, artwork, writing samples) with destructive and/or bizarre themes--- delinquent behavior, running away, probation or parole--- 030</p>	<p>Occasional difficulty in communication or behavior due to thought distortions (e.g., obsessions, mistrust, suspicions)--- 032</p> <p>May express odd beliefs, excessive fantasy or, if older than eight years old, magical thinking--- 033</p> <p>Eccentric speech e.g., impoverished, digressive, vague)--- 034</p> <p>Unusual perceptual experiences not qualifying as hallucinations--- 035</p>	<p>Thought, as reflected by communication, is not disordered or eccentric--- 037</p>
	EXCEPTION 025	EXCEPTION 031	EXCEPTION 036	EXCEPTION 038
Explanation:				

**Could Not Score: 020**

	Severe Severe disruption or incapacitation (30)	Moderate Occasional major or frequent disruptions (20)	Mild Significant problems and/or distress (10)	Average No disruption of functioning (0)
(3) Behavior Toward Others/Self  30	Behavior consistently inappropriate or bizarre... 040	Behavior frequently/ typically inappropriate and causing problems for self or others (e.g., promiscuity, fighting, destruction of property)... 046	Quarrelsome or annoying, making life difficult for self or others... 051	Relates satisfactorily to others... 056
	Behavior so disruptive or dangerous that harm to self or others is likely... 041	Predominantly relates to others in an exploitative/manipulative manner (e.g., uses/cons others)... 047	Impulsiveness that is not affected by known consequences (e.g., disregards risk to health or expectations of others)... 052	Not impulsive, shows good judgement in life decisions... 057
	Expelled from family for reasons related to impairment... 042	Relationships frequently fraught with tension or conflict... 048	Withdrawn or tends to be ignored by peers... 053	Is able to establish/ sustain a normal range of age-appropriate relationships... 058
	Unable to form/ sustain any age-appropriate close relationships... 043	Characteristically poor judgement resulting in serious risk-taking... 049	Difficulty in establishing/sustaining close relationships (e.g., predominantly age-inappropriate relationships; immature behavior leads to routine conflicts)... 054	
	Severe destructiveness toward property (e.g., deliberate fire-setting; serious damage to community/school property)... 044			
	EXCEPTION 045	EXCEPTION 050	EXCEPTION 055	EXCEPTION 059
	Explanation:			

Could Not Score 060

	Severe Severe Disruption or incapacitation (30)	Moderate Occasional major or frequent disruptions (20)	Mild Significant problems and/or distress (10)	Average No disruption of functioning (0)
(4) Moods/ Emotions  (Emotions = anxiety, depression, moodiness, fear, worry, irritability, tenseness, panic)  20	Emotional 061 responses incongruous or inappropriate (unreasonable, excessive) most of the time...	Marked changes 065 in moods that are generally intense and abrupt...	Often worried or 069 sad with some negative effect (e.g., recurrent nightmares)...	Feels normal distress, 073 but daily life is not disrupted...
	Fears, phobias, 062 worries, or anxieties result in poor attendance at school (i.e., absent more than present) or marked social withdrawal...	Symptoms of distress 066 (depressed, sad, fearful or anxious) are pervasive and/or persistent (e.g., disrupts sleep, eating, concentration and/or activities of daily living or symptoms of worthlessness or irritability are pervasive and other symptoms are persistent (e.g., sleep, eating, etc.)	Disproportionate 070 expression of frustration, irritability or fear...	Considers self 074 a "worthy person"...
	Depression is 063 incapacitating at times (e.g., academically, socially) or is accompanied by suicidal intent...	Emotional 067 blunting...	Notable emotional 071 restriction (i.e., has difficulty expressing strong emotions such as fear, hate, love)...	Can express strong 075 emotions appropriately...
	EXCEPTION 064	EXCEPTION 068	EXCEPTION 072	EXCEPTION 076
	Explanation:			

Could Not Score: 077

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These categories apply to youth of all ages					
(5) Substance Use  (Substances = alcohol or drugs)	Lifestyle centers 078 on acquisition and use (e.g., preoccupied with thoughts or urges to use substances)...	Uses in such a way as 084 to interfere with functioning (i.e., job, school, driving) in spite of potential serious consequences...	Infrequent excesses 089 and only without serious consequences...	No use of substances... 093	
	Dependent on 079 continuing use to maintain functioning (e.g., likely to experience withdrawal symptoms)...	Gets into trouble 085 because of usage (e.g., fights with family or friends, in an accident or injured, trouble with teachers, picked up by police, experiencing physical health problems due to use)...	Regular usage 090 (e.g., once a week) but without intoxication or being obviously high...	Has only "dried" themselves not use them... 094	
	Failing school 080 or kicked out of school or work related to usage...			Occasional use with no negative consequences... 095	
	Frequently intoxicated 081 or high (e.g., more than two times a week)...	High or intoxicated 086 once a week...			
	If youth is 12 or younger, use these additional categories				
For 12 years or 082 younger, high or intoxicated once or twice a week...	For 12 years 087 or younger, use regularly (once a week) without intoxication and without becoming obviously high...	For 12 years 091 or younger, occasional use with no negative consequences...			
EXCEPTION 083	EXCEPTION 088	EXCEPTION 092	EXCEPTION 096		
Explanation:					

Could Not Score: 097

TOTAL SCORE  
FOR CATEGORIES  
1 - 5

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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

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	Severe Severe disruption or incapacitation (30)	Moderate Occasional major or frequent disruptions (20)	Mild Significant problems and/or distress (10)	Average No disruption of functioning (0)
(6) Caregiver Resources: Basic Needs  ○	Unable to meet 098 child's needs for food, clothing, housing, transportation, medical attention or safety, such that severe risk to health or welfare is likely...	Frequent 100 problems meeting child's needs for food, housing, clothing, transportation, medical attention, or safety...	Occasional 102 problems meeting child's needs for food, housing, clothing, transportation, medical attention, or safety...	Able to obtain 104 or arrange for adequate meeting of all basic needs...
	EXCEPTION 099	EXCEPTION 101	EXCEPTION 103	EXCEPTION 105
	Explanation:			

Could Not Score 106

	Sociofamilial setting 107 is potentially dangerous to the child due to lack of family resources required to meet the child's needs/demands...	Child's developmental 112 needs cannot be adequately met because child's needs/developmental demands exceed family resources...	Family not able to 118 provide adequate warmth, security or sensitivity relative to the child's needs. Support from other sources outside the immediate family are unable to compensate for this inadequacy...	Family is 122 sufficiently warm, secure, and sensitive to the child's needs...
(7) Caregiver Resources: Family/ Social Support  ○	Gross parental 108 impairment (e.g., psychosis, substance abuse, severe personality disorder, mental retardation)...	Marked impairment in 113 parental functioning, related to psychiatric illness, substance use, physical illness, or other impairing condition...	Dysfunctional/ 119 discordant familial relationships (characterized by poor problem solving, poor communication, emotional insensitivity, role reversal, etc.). No other supports compensate for this deficit...	Parental supervision 123 in consistent and appropriate...
	Frankly hostile and/or 109 rejecting sociofamilial setting...	Persistent/severe 114 dysfunctional/discordant familial relationships (characterized by hostility, tension, and/or scapegoating, etc.)...	Family not able to 120 provide adequate supervision or consistency in care over time relative to the child's needs. No other supports compensate for this deficit...	Even though there are 124 temporary problems in providing adequate support to the child, there is compensation from the wider social support system.
	Child is subjected to 110 sexual or physical abuse...	Family members are 115 insensitive, angry and/or resentful to the child...		
	Marked lack of 116 parental supervision or consistency in care...			
	EXCEPTIONAL 111	EXCEPTIONAL 117		
	Explanation:			

Could Not Score: 126

TOTAL SUB-SCORE  
FOR CATEGORIES  
6 and 7 ONLY

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